MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NEBRASKA BOARD OF PHARMACY

May 9, 2005

ROLL CALL

Richard Zarek, R.P., Chair, called the meeting of the Board of Pharmacy to order at 8:02 a.m. in the Staybridge Room of the Staybridge Suites Hotel, 2701 Fletcher Avenue, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were sent to Board members and other interested parties prior to the meeting. The following Board members answered the roll call:

Richard Zarek, R.P., Chairperson C. Curtis Barr, R.P. Vice-Chairperson Kevin Borcher, R.P., Secretary Roger Kaczmarek, R.P. Linda Labenz

A quorum was present and the meeting convened. Also present from the Department were: Becky Wisell, Section Administrator; Vonda Apking, Credentialing Coordinator; Tony Kopf, R.P., Ronald Klein, R.P., and Mike Swanda, R.P., Pharmacy Inspectors; Jeff Newman, Investigator, and Michael Grutsch, Program Manager, from the Investigations Division; Lisa Anderson, Assistant Attorney General; and Sam Augustine, Board of Health Member.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Additions, Modification, Reordering and Adoption of Agenda

Labenz requested that the application of Charles Stachowiak, R.P., be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. Wisell requested that Agenda Item 11, Discussion on Compliance to a Pharmacy Quality Assurance Report (PQAR), be discussed in closed session rather than in open session. Barr moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, to approve the agenda, as amended, with the Chair having the authority to rearrange as needed. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

Adoption of Consent Agenda

Labenz moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, to approve the consent agenda as amended. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: None. Motion carried.

(8) Disciplinary Information – Actions Taken/Pending – Consent

Name	Actions Taken and/or Pending	Alleged Violation
Hentzen, Keith	Petition for Disciplinary Action 3-18-05	Dispensing without a written or verbal prescription, refilling Rx more times than authorized or for more months than authorized.
	Order on Agreed Settlement 4-6-05	
	5 year probation; civil penalty \$2,500; total of 10 CE hours; random inspections of pharmacy.	
Kuhlenengel, Linda		Habitual intoxication/dependence, opioid dependence, theft of controlled substance from employer.

Kuhlenengel,	Order for Temporary License	
	Suspension & Notice of	
	Hearing	
	3-22-05	
	License Suspended	
	3-22-05	
Stafford, Gretchen	Petition for Disciplinary Action & To Revoke	Probation violation of abstaining from the use of or possession of a controlled substance. Obtained a controlled substance,
	Probation	propoxyphene from a friend and took it for a migraine. Tested
	2-3-05	positive for propoxyphene.
	Order on Agreed Settlement	
	4-12-05	
	Censure, Civil Penalty, and	
	Extend probation by one year.	
Vinci, Robert M.	Petition for Disciplinary	Habitual intoxication or dependence, dependent on morphine &
v inci, Robert ivi.	Action 2-9-05	demerol, diversion of controlled substances from place of
	7 tellon 2 y 03	employment.
	Order on Agreed Settlement	emproyment.
	3-15-05	
	Voluntary surrender for a	
	minimum of 2 years, in lieu of	
	disciplinary actions. Effective	
	3-15-05	

$\underline{Non\text{-}Disciplinary\ Information} - \underline{Actions\ Taken/Pending} - \underline{Consent}$

Name	Actions Taken and/or	Alleged Violation
Ionson Donald	Pending	Desmansible pharmagist for youifying & dispensing a Dy for
Jensen, Ronald	Assurance of Compliance 3-25-05	Responsible pharmacist for verifying & dispensing a Rx for Tylox which had an alteration to the quantity ordered by the MD
	3-23-03	provider.
Koesten, Gary	Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order 11-29-04	Initial pharmacist license denied by Board. Mr. Koesten appealed the denial to the Department. Decision in Mr.
	Practice as a registered pharmacist in NE in the	Koesten's favor, and a pharmacist license was issued on 1-6-05 with a limitation. Mr. Koesten requested clarification of the order because the license should not have had a limitation. Based
	<u> </u>	on the Order issued 3-15-05, the limitation has been removed.
	Pharmacy License Act.	
	Order on Motion for	
	Clarification 3-9-05	
	Pursuant to the Nunc Pro Tunc	
	Order of 3-15-05, the	
	limitations have been removed.	
Maloley, Philip	Order to Cease & Desist the	Sold prescription medication to individuals with presentation of a
(DVM)	Unlicensed Practice of	prescription from another veterinarian. Sold and delivered
	Pharmacy 5-4-05	prescription medications to other pharmaceutical distributors.

- (9A) Pharmacist Applications with Misdemeanor/Felony Convictions Consent
- (9B) Renewal Application of a Mail Service Pharmacy Consent
- (9C) Pharmacy Technician Manuals Consent

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS, DISCIPLINARY REPORTS, CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AUDIT REPORTS, DISCUSSION WITH THE LICENSEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LAP), CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE RISK MANAGEMENT – JAMES DUBE, AND DISCUSSION ON COMPLIANCE TO A PHARMACY QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORT (PQAR) – CLOSED SESSION

Barr moved, seconded by Labenz, to close the session at 8:07 a.m. for investigational reports, disciplinary reports, controlled substances audit reports, discussion with the Licensee Assistance Program (LAP), Controlled Substance Risk Management presentation by James Dube, and discussion on compliance to a Pharmacy Quality Assurance Report (PQAR). Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Barr and Zarek recused themselves from the meeting at 8:45 a.m.

Barr and Zarek returned to the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Kaczmarek recused himself from the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

Kaczmarek returned to the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Judi Leibrock, NE LAP Coordinator, and Bob Thome, Manager of EAP/NE LAP Clinical Services, entered the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Leibrock and Thome left the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

James Dube, Pharm.D., Director of Medical Liaisons & Clinical Field Trainer for Purdue Pharma, entered the meeting at 11:40 a.m.

Dube left the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Roger Brink, Department Legal Counsel, entered the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

Labenz moved, seconded by Barr, to reopen the session at 12:50 p.m. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

<u>DISCIPLINARY INFORMATION – ACTIONS TAKEN/PENDING – CONSENT</u>

INPUT ON PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING

Roger Brink, Department Legal Counsel, met with the Board to obtain the Board's input on a Petition for Declaratory Order that pertains to the practice of pharmacy. The process for Declaratory Orders is outlined in 184 NAC 2 Rules of Practice and Procedure of the Department of Health for Declaratory Orders.

Saint Joseph Hospital had requested a Declaratory Order determining that Neb. Rev. Stat. §71-1,143 (7) allows a hospital to discharge a patient with the remaining drugs of a multidose package or multiuse device under particular circumstances. The draft Order referred to "commercially available multidose drug packages" and Brink asked for the Board's assistance in clarifying this terminology. The Board discussed various drugs and devices that are considered to be multidose drug packages, as well as other forms of drugs that may be reconstituted or in the form of a solution or ointment.

The draft Order also referred to dispensing to emergency room patients in limited quantities sufficient to treat emergency conditions until "access" to a pharmacy under normal operating hours can reasonably be expected. The issue was raised that "access" may also need to be clarified. For now, the Board believes the reference to "access" is acceptable, but it was asked whether the Board could write regulations to clarify "access" if this aspect of the Order is abused in the future. Brink responded that the Board would be able to develop regulations.

The Board was concerned about whether the drug containers and/or devices leaving the hospital would be properly labeled. Board members asked whether this Order would include controlled substances. Brink replied that it would; however, neither he nor Dr. Richard Raymond, Director of the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure, speak for the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA). Brink stated that this ruling pertains to drugs that are not covered by some other regulation. This ruling is subject to State law.

Brink said that Dr. Raymond is open to input on this issue from anyone. Any questions or input on this draft Order should be addressed to the Department before May 20, 2005, so that the Order from the Department can be finalized.

REGULATIONS UPDATE

Review and Approval of Draft Delegated Dispensing Regulations

Barr reported on the Stakeholders meeting that was held regarding the draft Delegated Dispensing Regulations on April 14, 2005. Several comments that were received required review by Roger Brink, Department Legal Counsel.

One comment was whether a respiratory therapist's scope of practice authorizes them to receive verbal/oral medical orders from a prescriber. Brink had reviewed the statutes to determine whether receiving a prescription verbally could be delegated by a pharmacist to another person. Brink reported that Neb. Rev. Stat. §71-1,146.01 sets out the means by which a medical order may be transmitted to a pharmacist; however, the definition of the practice of pharmacy is silent on the receiving of medical orders. The definition of the practice of pharmacy (Neb. Rev. Stat. §71-1,142 (1)) includes the dispensing of drugs and devices. Barr moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, that the receiving of an oral medical order is part of dispensing and, therefore, it can be delegated. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The statute defines delegated dispensing more broadly than just the definition of dispensing. Delegated dispensing is the practice of pharmacy.

At the stakeholders meeting, another issue that needed legal review was whether patient counseling could be delegated. Brink had reviewed the statutes, but they did not clearly address this question. Brink said an argument could be made that patient counseling could be delegated, but he asked for the Board's input on the matter. If the Board determines that patient counseling can be delegated, the regulations can narrow who is allowed to counsel.

Barr moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, that the regulations require that patient counseling be provided by pharmacists listed in the delegated dispensing agreement or, in the case of medical gases, that licensed respiratory therapists be allowed to provide patient counseling. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

The Board asked that staff make the appropriate changes in the draft regulations and that copies of the revised draft be sent to the Board members for review. After the Board has approved the draft regulations, a public hearing can be scheduled.

Review and Approval of the Draft Cancer Drug Repository Program Regulations

Wisell presented the Board with a draft of amendments to 181 NAC 6 Cancer Drug Repository Program regulations. The amendments were based on LB 131 that passed in the 2005 legislative session. Definitions of participant, participant registry, and program were added. References throughout the regulations to the Cancer Drug Repository Program were changed to program, and references throughout the regulations to physician offices, pharmacies, hospitals and health clinics were changed to participants. Language was also added to create a registry of participants in the program.

Wisell pointed out two sections (6-004.01C and 6-004.04A) in the draft regulations that refer to physicians who hold a valid dispensing practitioner pharmacy license that is authorized by Neb. Rev. Stat. §71-1,143 (2). There are varying interpretations of whether "dispensing incident to practice" under this statute without a dispensing practitioner pharmacy license allows for a practitioner to charge for the drugs they are dispensing, so Wisell asked the Board members for their interpretation. Barr commented that it was intended that if a practitioner charged for

drugs he/she dispensed, a pharmacy license was required. If they charged for the drugs, they kept records which was better for public health. The Board agreed with this position and determined that no change was necessary in the regulations regarding this issue.

Labenz moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, to endorse the proposed changes in 181 NAC 6 Cancer Drug Repository Program regulations. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Brink left the meeting.

APPLICATION REVIEW

<u>Pharmacist Applications with Misdemeanor/Felony Convictions (7) – Consent</u>

The Board discussed the pharmacist license application of Charles Stachowiak, R.P. Labenz moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, to deny the application for licensure on the basis of unprofessional conduct and a felony conviction that has a rational connection to the profession of pharmacy. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Renewal Application of a Mail Service Pharmacy (1) - Consent

Pharmacy Technician Manuals (1) - Consent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 14, 2005

The Board reviewed the minutes of the March 14, 2005, meeting of the Board of Pharmacy. On page 3, Roger Kaczmarek's last name was misspelled; and on page 6, in the heading "Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)", the word "Pharmacy" was misspelled. Barr moved, seconded by Labenz, to approve the March 14, 2005, Board of Pharmacy minutes with these two corrections. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

April 14, 2005

Barr moved, seconded by Kaczmarek, to approve the April 14, 2005, Board of Pharmacy minutes as presented. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek. Voting nay: none. Abstain: Labenz, Zarek. Motion carried.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Joni Cover, Executive Vice-President of the Nebraska Pharmacists Association, updated the Board on the status of legislative bills.

LB 382 – is on the Governor's desk to be signed, and it contains an emergency clause. LB 382 contains provisions for e-prescribing, compounding, changes in the scheduling of certain controlled substances, and an exemption from mandatory reporting requirements for pharmacist interns.

LB 117 – methamphetamine legislation. The bill passed first round debate last week and it is likely to pass this session.

LB 446 – Patient Safety Improvement Act. LB 446 was amended into LB 361 that was approved by the Governor on April 27, 2005. The intent of the Act is to provide for the reporting and sharing of information to improve health care delivery systems and reduce the incidence of adverse health events and near misses.

LB 175 – removes the 72-hour restriction on physician assistant prescribing for Schedule II controlled substances. Any limitation on physician assistant prescribing is established by the supervising physician and is to be noted in the physician assistant's scope of practice agreement. This change will become effective September 4, 2005. The Board requested to put notification of this prescribing change in the Board of Pharmacy newsletter and to summarize

highlights of other legislation that passes in the 2005 legislative session. Zarek offered to write the article for the newsletter.

LB 306 – requires criminal background checks on applications for initial licensure in any profession whose scope of practice authorizes the prescribing of controlled substances.

LB 318 – wholesale drug distribution legislation. Wisell expressed the following concerns regarding the proposed amendments to this bill: 1) all prescription drugs would be covered under the wholesale act – not just "human" drugs; 2) the amendments contain no exemption for manufacturers – since manufacturers testified at the hearing of their desire for an exemption, the success of the bill is in question; and 3) no provision for hospitals to be able to return or exchange drugs with a distributor as had been requested by the Board of Pharmacy. Any comments on LB 318 should be sent to Cover or Ron Hospodka, Associate Dean for Student Affairs, Creighton University School of Pharmacy and Health Professions.

UNIFORM LICENSING LAW (ULL) REWRITE

Wisell updated the Board on the process for the ULL Rewrite. Several meetings have been scheduled to obtain input on the proposed revisions, and the goal is to have a bill ready for introduction in the 2006 legislative session. The Board requested that the ULL Rewrite and Practice Act Changes be placed on the July 25, 2005, meeting agenda for discussion.

ALL HEALTHCARE RELATED BOARD MEMBERS MEETING

The All Healthcare Related Board Members Meeting will be held Friday, June 10, 2005, at Mahoney State Park. The theme for this year's meeting is "Bringing Uniformity to Credentialing." The main topic of discussion will be the ULL Rewrite. The Department is using this meeting as a means of gathering input from all of the Board regarding the proposed revisions to the ULL. Wisell encouraged all Board members to attend.

E-PRESCRIBING

NABP had notified state boards of pharmacy that the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS) submitted a second set of recommendations on electronic prescribing to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The NCVHS was asked, as part of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act (MMA) of 2003, to develop recommendations for uniform standards to enable electronic prescribing in the ambulatory care setting. The recommendations identify the importance of coordination between HHS, DEA, and state boards of pharmacy to avoid fragmentation of electronic signature requirements. NABP has provided testimony on electronic prescribing and will continue to follow the development of the electronic prescribing regulations that are scheduled for release in October 2005.

Discussion on DEA's Final Rule on the Use of Digital Signature When Ordering Controlled Substances

Notice was received that the DEA issued final rules regarding electronic orders for controlled substances on April 1, 2005. These regulations provide an electronic equivalent to the DEA official order form (Form 222). The regulations will allow, but not require, registrants to order Schedule I and II substances electronically and maintain the records of these orders electronically. The effective date of the final rules is May 31, 2005.

NABP Letter to CMS Addressing the Electronic Prescribing Proposed Rule

State boards of pharmacy were notified that NABP provided comments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the proposed regulations regarding electronic prescribing under the MMA of 2003. NABP recommended five principles be incorporated into the national electronic prescribing standard, addressed the federal preemption of state laws, and briefly discussed electronic prescription transactions versus paper transactions. The five principles included: A) ensuring against unauthorized access; B) authenticity and security of prescriptions; C) privacy of individually identifiable health information; D) prescriber-pharmacist collaboration; and E) patient choice.

E-Prescribing Concerns

The Board received a letter from a pharmacist that contained examples of electronic prescriptions received by his pharmacy that contained numerous prescribing errors. Errors such as the wrong drug or the wrong dosage could easily occur if not using an electronic prescribing device correctly. The pharmacist was trying to emphasize that electronic prescribing is not necessarily a solution to prescribing errors. Although prescription information would be typewritten using electronic prescribing which is better than handwriting that is difficult to read, serious prescribing errors could still be made if they device is not used properly. It then becomes the responsibility of the pharmacist to catch these errors prior to dispensing medication.

The Board encouraged the pharmacist who wrote the letter to file a complaint with the Department. Some of the examples provided rose to the level of what would be considered unprofessional conduct by the prescribers. The Board requested that the prescriptions contained in the letter be investigated and that the pharmacist who wrote the letter be contacted for any additional information.

<u>Update on 172 NAC 128 Regulations Governing the Practice of Pharmacy and 175 NAC 8 Regulations Governing Licensure of Pharmacies</u>

Wisell reported that the public hearing on 172 NAC 128 Regulations Governing the Practice of Pharmacy and 175 NAC 8 Regulations Governing Licensure of Pharmacies is scheduled for June 2, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., at the Nebraska State Office Building.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM (PMP) GRANT

Barr commented that it would be helpful to obtain the grant application from the Louisiana Board of Pharmacy. He had contacted Louisiana, but they needed to obtain approval from their Board before they can provide it to Nebraska.

PATIENT SAFETY RFP

Wisell requested that this item be discussed later in the meeting in conjunction with the Financial Report.

<u>UPDATE ON THE CREDENTIALING REVIEW FOR THE REGISTRATION OF PHARMACY</u> TECHNICIANS

Zarek reported that the application for credentialing review for the registration of pharmacy technicians was completed and submitted to the Department on behalf of the Board of Pharmacy. The Technical Review Committee for the Board's proposal met last week. Zarek explained the credentialing review process to the Board and reported that it should be completed by September 1, 2005.

Zarek believes the problem is trying to prove the need to register pharmacy technicians since there are no statistics available. Examples of diversion or impaired practice by pharmacy technicians would be helpful to the Board's proposal. The Board suggested contacting NABP to obtain any data on disciplinary actions against pharmacy technicians from other states that currently license pharmacy technicians. The cost of disciplining pharmacy technicians is also a topic being discussed by the Technical Review Committee.

APPROVAL OF THE ACCREDITED PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS OF PHARMACY

Barr moved, seconded by Labenz, to approve the ACPE Accredited Professional Programs of Colleges and Schools of Pharmacy for licensing their graduates to practice pharmacy in the State of Nebraska. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ON OTHER MECHANISMS FOR DETERMINING CONTINUED COMPETENCY

The Board had previously discussed mechanisms for determining continued competency other than continuing education. The Board determined that they would like to pursue this and directed staff to make this an action item for the September meeting. The Board requested staff to obtain examples of other professions' regulations that have

added mechanisms other than continuing education for continuing competency. The Board also asked staff to visit with other administrators about how the other continuing competency mechanisms are working and whether any licensees are using these other mechanisms for license renewal.

Barr reported that he will be taking the Pharmacist Self-Assessment Mechanism (PSAM) provided by NABP. The PSAM is an evaluation tool intended to assist pharmacists in obtaining objective, non-punitive feedback on their knowledge base. He will let the Board know what he thinks about the PSAM after completing it. The Board recommended that if alternative mechanisms for continuing competency are implemented, statistics should be kept on how many licensees use the other mechanisms than just continuing education.

REPORT FROM THE FSMB/NABP EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOP: PROMOTING BALANCE & CONSISTENCY IN THE REGULATORY OVERSIGHT OF PAIN CARE

Zarek attended the FSMB/NABP Educational Workshop. A topic of discussion was the DEA's position on writing Schedule II prescriptions with "fill-after" dates. In November 2004, DEA had stated that prescribers were not allowed to write multiple prescriptions for Schedule II controlled substances with instructions to fill after a certain date because to do so was equivalent with issuing refills on Schedule II's. Although DEA had requested comments on its position, it was reported at the workshop that the DEA position was going to stand. This has not yet been formally communicated, so the Board requested that DEA be asked to put their position in writing. After receiving a written position from DEA, this information should be published in the Board of Pharmacy newsletter. Cover recommended that any position that is communicated from the Board of Pharmacy should be shared with the Board of Medicine and Surgery to inform their licensees as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MPJE Committee

Borcher and Klein are planning to attend the MPJE Item-Writing Workshop at NABP in June.

Tri-Partite Committee on Internship

No report.

Formulary Advisory Committee

No report.

NABP ANNUAL MEETING

Board members will be attending the Annual Meeting of the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy in New Orleans, Louisiana, May 21-24, 2005.

<u>SCHOOL ON ALCOHOLISM AND OTHER DRUG DEPENDENCIES – UNIVERSITY OF UTAH – JUNE</u> 19-24, 2005

Barr announced that he is planning to attend the School on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependencies at the University of Utah at his own expense. He will provide a report to the Board at the next meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Wisell presented the budget status report as of April 30, 2005. A recent report of cash balances reflected that the Board of Pharmacy cash fund had a significantly lower balance than what was previously represented. Overhead costs from the past 2½ years, including costs for investigations, had recently been allocated to all of the professions. These additional expenses reduced the Board of Pharmacy cash balance by approximately \$426,000. The exact amount of this expense is going to change because it has already been determined that the allocation was based on existing cash balances rather than on actual usage of investigation services, so the budget office will be providing new calculations based on actual usage.

Wisell notified the Board of her concern that there may not be sufficient funds available to pursue the Patient Safety RFP at the \$100,000 level that the Board had first planned. The Board was extremely upset by this information and considered sending a letter to the Governor. The Board emphasized how critical it is to have accurate information in order for the Board to establish its budget and plan for activities such as the Patient Safety RFP. Barr moved, seconded by Labenz, to proceed with the \$100,000 Patient Safety RFP as originally planned. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

PATIENT SAFETY RFP

Apking presented the Board with a revised draft of the Patient Safety RFP. She needed to know what timeframe to specify in the RFP within which the Board would like to receive a finished product. The Board recommended within two years. When asked how often the Board would like to receive reports from vendors that are granted funds under the RFP, the Board replied at least every six months and a final report six months after the project is completed. The Board established a limit of 40 pages for proposals that are submitted and chose to title the RFP "Pharmacist Education Concerning Patient Safety." Any vendors that are granted funds under the RFP should include the following acknowledgement of support in any advertisements, news releases, etc.: "A grant sponsored by the Nebraska Board of Pharmacy and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure." The Board requested that staff copy proposals as they are received and send the copies to the Board members.

ACTION ITEMS

The Board reviewed action items from previous meetings that had been completed. The only item remaining on the list is completion of the PMP grant.

NABP DISTRICT V MEETING – AUGUST 11-13, 2005 – BLOOMINGTON, MN

All Board members indicated an interest in attending the NABP District V meeting in Bloomington, Minnesota. Barr moved, seconded by Borcher, to approve funding for all Board members to attend the NABP District V meeting. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried. Staff will submit requests for out-of-state travel approval for Board members.

CORRESPONDENCE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

Hospodka complimented Department staff for their efforts in working with applicants for licensure. Applicants had expressed appreciation that they could reach a live person when calling the Department and also that the staff was courteous and helpful throughout the process. Wisell thanked Hospodka for his comments.

ADJOURNMENT

Barr moved, seconded by Labenz, to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. Voting aye: Barr, Borcher, Kaczmarek, Labenz, Zarek. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signature on file with the Department)

Kevin Borcher, R.P., Secretary Nebraska Board of Pharmacy